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SUBJECT: VISIT BY PRESIDENT OF INDO-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE, HARISH MAHINDRA

REF: NEW DELHI 9825

FOR BORN NEA/INS

1. WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL JOHN HABBERTON AT BCIU AND PASS
ON SUBSTANCE OF MAHINDRA'S VISIT. WOULD YOU ASK HIM IF AT ALL
POSSIBLE TO SET UP AN INFORMAL MEETING (PERHAPS FOR LUNCH)
WITH BUSINESS LEADERS INTERESTED IN INDIA TO MEET WITH MAHINDRA.
I WILL ASK MAHINDRA TO CALL YOU AS SOON AS HE GETS TO NEW YOURK
ON SEPTEMBER 4-5.

2. YOU SHOULD STRESS TWO POINTS TO HABBERTON: (1) I AM NOT
ENDORING A SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE INDO-AMERICAN
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND BCIU. I WOULD APPRECIATE IF YOU WOULD
DISCUSS THE RANGE OF POSSIBILITIES ON CHAMBER AFFILIATIONS WITH
MAHINDRA AND LET ME KNOW WHAT YOU THINK COULD BE DEVELOPED,
(2) AS YOU CAN SEE, I HAVE MY RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE TIMING
OF A HIGH LEVEL BUSINESS VISIT THOUGH I THINK THE IDEA
IS BASCIALLY GOOD IF WELL PREPARED FOR. I DON'T WANT TO DISCOURAGE
MAHINDRA BUT I DON'T WANT TO GET HIM OUT TOO FAR IN FRONT OR
ENCOURAGE HIS APPARENT BELIEF THAT HE CAN PLAY SOME SORT OF
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MIDDLEMAN ROLE BETWEEN THE USG AND GOI.

3. PLEASE SEND HABBERTON THE INFORMATION WE ARE TRANSMITTING
ON MAHINDRA PERSONALLY AND ON THE INDO-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE.
DECONTROL ON RECEIPT.
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